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Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

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For Transmittal to:

Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Chair Economic Development and Budget Committee 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Rawlins-Fernandez:

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE EFFECT OF THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, RULES, CARES ACT, AND RELATED ISSUES (EDB-85)

Pursuant to your letter dated September 15, 2020, I am providing the following response to your request relating to the delayed distribution of FY21 grant funds as related to the Coronavirus pandemic:

1. Which FY21 budget grants have been delayed because of anticipated shortfalls in Real Property Tax revenue?

Although Real Property Tax is the largest source of County revenue, all other sources of revenue are being reviewed for the first quarter. We have delayed the execution of grants for events and celebrations, grants for programs that are funded through CARES Act funding, and grants for new programs.

2. What is the process for individuals or organizations to apply for FY21 grant funds when there is not an online application form?

Prior to the start of FY 21, grant workshops were held to provide information on how to apply for grants and types of grants available. The application was readily available during the application period. If individuals or organization would like to submit an application at this time, they may call the respective department or agency for an application.

3. What is the plan for the FY21 grant funds that have not been released yet?

The Administration plans to review the scope and purpose of each request that has not yet been approved to determine whether a grant should be released.

4. The Committee understands certain types of grants – such as for childcare or rental assistance – are being prioritized for funding. What are the other priorities? What is the process for determining the priorities?

The priority is health and safety of our community, as well as economic recovery and sustainability. We have prioritized grants that provide services to the community such as kupuna care, substance abuse, domestic violence, and youth programs. The Administration has also prioritized the use of CARES Act and other COVID-19 related grant revenue in determining the execution of grants.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

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Budget Director

EDB Committee

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Sent: Monday, October 05, 2020 4:05 PM

To: EDB Committee

Subject: EDB-85

Attachments: Response to letter dated Sept 15.pdf

Please see attached.